Remarks/Arguments:

1. The Examiner rejected original (and now canceled) claims 1 and 2 as being

unpatentable with regard to "Beef Jerky Recipe" posted on the Internet on 12/12/89 in

view of "Beef Venison Jerky" posted on the Internet 1/199. Applicant traverses the

Examiner's rejections for the following reasons.

2. New claims 3 and 4 recite not only specific ingredients not found in either of the

above-cited references, but new claims 3 and 4 also recite specific amounts or

proportions for each ingredient whose admixture produces the unique properties of

crispness and maintaining of the flavor until the individual has completed chewing the

last bite of the beef jerky strip. The cited references, singly or in combination, do not

teach, suggest or disclose the elements – in their specific proportions – as recited in new

claims 3 and 4.

3. In view of the above arguments Applicant respectfully requests allowance of new

claims 3 and 4 and passage of the case to full issuance. Applicant has made a good faith

effort to meet and overcome the Examiner's rejections, and no new subject matter has

been added by this amendment.

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